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Integrated circuits protected against reverse engineering and method for fabricating the same using an apparent metal contact line terminating on field oxide

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